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Sir:

The present application claims priority to Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-398514 filed on January 28, 2003. A certified copy of the prior foreign applications was filed in the International application. A copy is enclosed.

This application was allowed on April 15, 2010. The Examiner is requested to acknowledge the claim for priority and receipt of the priority document, substantially prior to the Issue Fee due date of July 15, 2010. Since this application has been allowed, this matter is somewhat urgent.

Respectfully submitted,

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